

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph 00026 with the following paragraph:

[00026] In the event of an emergency, that is, when an “emergency off signal 20” is present or during a manual emergency operation, for example, because of a recorded imbalance of the centrifugal drum 2 by an imbalance recorder 22, the closed valve 14 opened up. The balls 16, for example, by water pressure or by a piston are pressed out or washed out of the container 15 through the branch pipe 13 via the valve 14, for example, a normally open valve, into the feed line 12. From there, the balls 16 flow into the feeding tube 4 until they finally enter through the distributor 5 into the centrifuging chamber 6, where they are centrifuged toward the outside because of their appropriately defined “greater” specific weight, so that they are deposited in front of the outlet nozzles 7 and plug the latter. As a result, the centrifugal drum 2 can stop or “come to a stop” without water or with the addition of only a little water. The container 15 may be prestressed, for example, by a compressed-air-actuated piston or the like. So that functioning is also maintained in the event of a power failure, the balls 16 can also float in the container 15 in a carrier liquid, such as water, in order to facilitate their feeding into the separator 1.